

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1895**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Ruskin**

February 16, 2010

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An act to amend Section 66003 of the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1895, as introduced, Ruskin. Postsecondary education: Donahoe Higher Education Act.

Existing law, known as the Donahoe Higher Education Act, sets forth, among other things, the missions and functions of California's public and independent segments of higher education, and their respective institutions of higher education, in the context of the goals of the Master Plan for Higher Education in California. Among other things, the act expresses legislative intent to outline in statute the broad policy and programmatic goals of the master plan and to expect the higher education segments to be accountable for attaining those goals. The act also expresses legislative intent that the governing boards of the higher education segments be given ample discretion in implementing policies and programs necessary to attain those goals.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those expressions of legislative intent relative to attaining the goals of the Master Plan for Higher Education.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 66003 of the Education Code is amended  
2 to read:  
3     66003. It is the intent of the Legislature to outline in statute  
4 the broad policy and programmatic goals of the ~~master plan~~ *Master*  
5 *Plan for Higher Education* and to expect the higher education  
6 segments to be accountable for attaining those goals. However,  
7 consistent with the spirit of the original master plan and the  
8 subsequent updates, it is the intent of the Legislature that the  
9 governing boards *of the segments of higher education* be given  
10 ample discretion in implementing policies and programs necessary  
11 to attain those goals.

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